January 23, 2022 ~ 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome and Announcements ~ Jan Lapenta

Prelude ~ Karen Danke

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: Praise the Lord the Almighty, the King of Creation.

People: Rejoice in the Lord, O my soul.

Leader: For the Lord is Good and his Faithfulness endures forever.

People: The Love of God is for all people whom he created and dearly loves.

Amen!

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #610 ~ "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Lord, you call us to the works of love, justice and mercy. Yet we confess that often we have sought our own power and privilege rather than helping the lowly and the downtrodden. Forgive us Lord. Move in our hearts so that we may faithfully follow you in the work of the Kingdom of God. Amen.(A time of silent, personal prayer).

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #829 ~ "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" (v. 1)

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away: O let me from this day be wholly thine!

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #406 ~ "We Are Standing on Holy Ground"

We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around; let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.

Offering Prayer

*Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Avery & Marsh)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 19

Special Music ~ "Committed" ~ our friends from Grace Bible Chapel

Christian Scripture ~ Luke 4:14-21

Message ~ "Good News to the Oppressed"

*Hymn #829 ~ "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation ~ "Come and Rest" (C. Bell & M. McFee)

Come and rest. Come and listen. Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker. Come and rest. Come and listen. Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker. Come and rest. Come and listen. There's a wisdom deep within that calls us closer. Come and rest. Come and listen. There's a wisdom deep within that calls us closer.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

Postlude

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The Annual Meeting of the Congregation, called for the purpose of receiving the annual reports, and presentation of the annual terms of call for the pastor will be Sunday, February 13, 2022, following the worship service and will be available for all to participate, both in person and by live stream.

^{*}Hymn #722 ~ "Lord Speak to Me that I May Speak"

^{*}Benediction

^{*}Choral Response #600 ~ "Amen"

The Annual "Souper Bowl" fundraiser for Crossroads Soup Kitchen will also be held on Sunday, February 13. You will be able to make a monetary donation in support of your favorite team!

From Kathy Potter... "Schedule change!

ROMANS 12:4-5 is now Sunday, February 27, 2022 immediately following worship! We will meet in the Social Hall for a meal, fellowship, and to assemble condiment/utensil packets for Crossroads Food Kitchen! This is a constant need in their service of meals to the hungry in their local community. Our long partnership with Crossroads and commitment to feed our community physically and spiritually motivates us to serve in this way. Please change the date on your calendars and plan to join us for this event. Masks and gloves will be required as we work. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate! Please sign up in the church lobby or respond to the email being sent out to indicate your participation. This enables us to have adequate food for lunch!"

If you have not yet done so, please consider making a donation to offset the annual Per Capita assessment. Each church in the Presbytery is assessed per member, so if each member donates their share, there is less impact on the General Fund. St. Paul's is assessed at \$4,330.24 for 2022. An envelope was provided in your January packet with the amount of \$32.00 per member. And thank you to those who have donated!!

Stewardship Campaign Update: 70% of the goal of \$225,000.00 has been met with 44 pledging units committed for a total of \$158,458.00. Thank you to all who have completed commitment cards for 2022. If you have not yet made your commitment, please do so as soon as possible so that the 2022 budget may be set.

A continuing reminder from your Board of Deacons..."Do you have someone or something to celebrate? You can share your joy with your St. Paul's family, help feed the hungry, and honor the person or object of your celebration with a tribute gift to the Board of Deacons Hunger Ministries. Tribute gifts may also be in memory of someone or something, or your donation can simply be a gift to the Hunger Ministries. An acknowledgement will be placed in the bulletin and eBranch. No set amount is required, and acknowledgements will go in the bulletin as soon as possible after checks are received. Donations may not be made far in advance for future dates. To donate, please: Make your check payable to: St. Paul's Board of Deacons and in the Memo line, write: Hunger Ministries and enclose a note with: Donor(s) Name(s) and the dedication. (Dedication examples: In honor of the first responders. In honor of our grandchildren. In memory of my parents).

Send the donation with your check and note to St. Paul's, drop it in the secure mailbox outside the entrance, or bring it to the church for Sunday worship or during office hours. The Board of Deacons appreciates the congregation's generous spirit. Let's feed each other spiritually, and the hungry, literally. May the peace of Christ be with us all."



August Kornowicz, Ron Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant Bruce Phillips, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff

Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz

Micah Schemanske ~ friend of Charlotte & Jim Day; Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock Finley Farquhar ~ granddaughter of Eric; Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen

Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck; Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet

Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of the late Gail Artinian; MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne

Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour

David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin

Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips

Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie

Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank

Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610



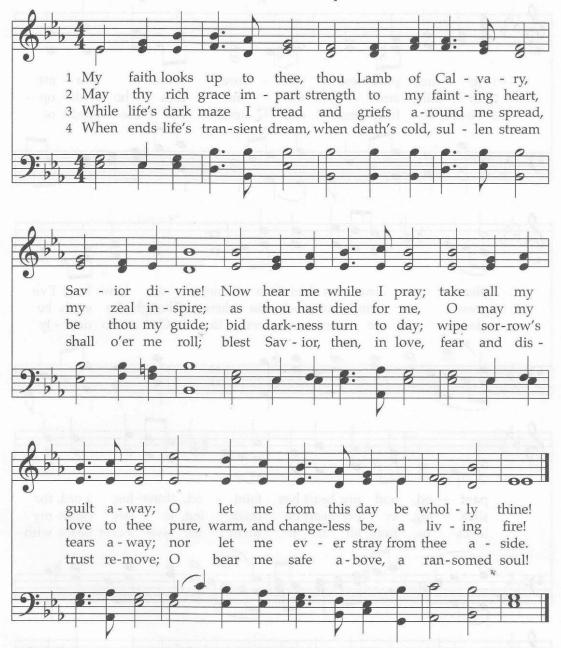
This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak



Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee 829



Originally a poem of private reflection, this text was offered to the composer when he asked the author if he had written anything that could be set to music for a new hymn and tune collection. This was the first tune written for these words and has proved the most enduring.